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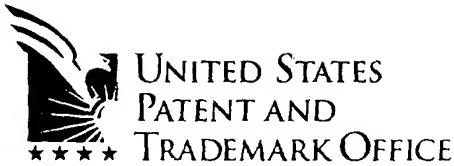
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Patent Appeals/Interference Fees				
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1403/2403	1.17(d)	Request for oral hearing	290.00	145.00
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1610/2610	1.492(a)(2)	ISA - U.S.	770.00	385.00
1611/2611	1.492(a)(3)	USPTO not ISA or IPEA	1,080.00	540.00
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1202/2202	1.16(c)	Claims in excess of twenty	18.00	9.00
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